

MINUTES
of the
SANTA BARBARA METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DATE: October 9, 2001

PLACE: 550 Olive Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Deborah Looker, Directors John Britton, and Richard Udd, and General Manager Gary Gleason

OTHERS PRESENT: Bill Derrick (Santa Barbara County Association of Governments), Browning Allen (City of Santa Barbara), Brian Fahnestock (Santa Barbara City College), Steve Musick (Member of the Public), Martin Erickson and Jill Yarussi (MTD)

- 1. Call to Order**
Chair Looker called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.
- 2. Roll Call of the Board of Directors**
Chair Looker noted that all directors were present, except for Director Moldaver and Director Untermann.
- 3. Report Regarding Posting of Agenda**
General Manager Gary Gleason reported that the agenda for this meeting was posted at the MTD administrative headquarters one week prior to the meeting and mailed to local media of general circulation.
- 4. Approval of Minutes**
Director Britton moved to waive the reading of and approve the minutes for the meeting of September 25, 2001. Director Udd seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
- 5. Cash Report and Payment of Claims**
Director Britton moved to adopt the cash report and payment of claims for the period of September 18, 2001 through October 1, 2001. Director Udd seconded the motion. After some discussion, the motion to approve the cash report was passed by a unanimous vote of the board.
- 6. Public Comment**
Steve Musick, a member of the public, asked about the MTD's Calle Real property, provided a list of questions to the board and requested past copies of board minutes.

Bill Derrick, Executive Director of the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG), was present to observe and participate.

Browning Allen, Acting Transportation Manager for the City of Santa Barbara, was present to observe and participate.

7. Report on MTD and Santa Barbara City College Programs

Martin Erickson, MTD's Manager of Government Relations, introduced Brian Fahnestock, Santa Barbara City College's (SBCC) Business Manager, to the board. Mr. Fahnestock noted that SBCC is interested in building three new buildings on campus, but that to do this, SBCC must create a comprehensive traffic mitigation plan for the Coastal Commission. Mr. Fahnestock stated that one parking lot was converted to "Carpool Only" and that the student and faculty MTD bus pass program is widely used.

8. Report on the Transit Technology Programs

The General Manager requested that this agenda item be postponed until the next board meeting.

9. General Manager's Report

The General Manager reported that he and Directors Britton, Moldaver and Udd attended the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) annual conference in Philadelphia. Mr. Gleason noted that procurement guidelines and requirements of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) are very extensive for transit agencies.

Director Udd stated that mass transit was instrumental in moving people around after the September 11th tragedy and that the MTD should be prepared to assist in emergency situations in Santa Barbara. Director Britton added that the MTD should look at its security procedures to see how readily it can cooperate with other agencies.

The General Manager reported that the MTD will host a meeting for the APTA executive committee and the new director of the FTA in November.

10. Other Business and Committee Reports

Director Britton noted that letters soliciting proposals from potential design competition managers have been sent out by Director Untermann. Chair Looker requested that Director Untermann report on the progress of this project.

11. Adjournment

Director Britton moved to adjourn the meeting and Director Udd seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 am.